

Centennial Animal Services August 2010 Monthly Progress Report September 20, 2010

Summary

Centennial Animal Services (CAS) remained committed to protecting the safety, health, and quality of life in Centennial while protecting the welfare of animals during August 2010. These efforts resulted in Animal Welfare Officers responding to 563 calls for service to include: 20 dogs at large, 13 noisy pets, 233 animal license checks, 23 animal impounds, 17 bite cases and 0 aggressive animals. The Department investigated 38 complaints of animal cruelty and responded to 4 animal rescues. There were 682 telephone calls received and 59 lost and found animal reports taken.

Enforcement activities resulted in 12 individuals being educated/verbal warnings, 19 written warnings, 17 summons and complaints being issued and 40 animals handled. CAS vigorously pursues reuniting pets with their owners and finding new homes for all animals handled. These efforts resulted in an 83% animal save rate with 33% of animals returned in the field, 28% returned from the kennel, and 23% being transferred to partner agencies.

Activity

Field Services

- 563 Calls for Service: 59 District 1, 125 District 2, 153- District 3, 196 District 4, 30 Outside of City
- Enforcement Action: 12 Education/Verbal Warning, 19 Written Warnings, 17 Summonses
- Dangerous and Potentially Dangerous Animals
 - 5 Investigation
 - o 5 Animal Bites Reported
 - 0 Summons and Complaints Issued
 - 0 Animal Confiscated

Animals Handled

- 40 Animals Handled: 23 Dogs, 15 Cat, 2 Others
- 83% Animal Save Rate: 33% Returned in the Field, 28% Returned from Kennel, 0% Adopted

General Information

• 682 Telephone Calls, 37 Citizens Walk Ins, 3,560 Miles Driven

Revenue

Monthly

- \$4.630 in revenue was collected
 - o \$3,031 Licensing
 - o \$1,599 Fees

Year to Date

• \$45,968.50 in revenue has been collected, which is approximately **16% above** the 2010 year to date projected budget of \$39,624.

2010 Goals/Progress

City Services

Goals

- Centennial Animal Services will enhance our relationship with Centennial's Public Safety partners
- Continue to implement a cross training program for CAS and Douglas County Animal Services Officers facilitating a more timely and effective response in emergencies and disasters
- Increase number of routine patrols and self-initiated enforcement activities by ten percent (10%)
- Increase the number of State and Nationally accredited Animal Welfare Officers to fifty percent (50%)

Progress

- Officer Kotash completed a 10 hour ride along with Arapahoe County Sheriff's department
- Assisted Arapahoe County Sheriff's Department Sergeant remove kittens from their patrol vehicle engine. Kittens were subsequently adopted through our partner agency to the Sergeant and a Sheriff's department dispatcher.
- Three Officers studying to take the Colorado Association of Animal Control Officers (CAACO) examination
- Assisted DOW in citizen education about wildlife

Community Quality of Life/Citizen Engagement

Goals

- Centennial Animal Services will provide public education and engage in positive community relations
- Participate in Centennial sponsored community events
- Be available to attend District, CENCon, and HOA Meetings
- Distribute new educational materials focusing on Responsible Pet Ownership via print and Web Site
- Continue use of media outlets and newsletter to educate citizens about responsible pet ownership
- Utilize online social networks to increase community awareness and education opportunities
- Investigate the possibility of hosting a Licensing, Microchipping, Vaccination, Spay or Neuter event

Progress

- Two officers were available to educate Boy Scouts about Animal Services while they were touring City of Centennial building with Mayor Noon
- Established Humane Society of the Pikes Peak Region-Northern Division (Centennial & Douglas County Animal Services) Facebook page to gage viability of future individualized use.
- 2 Condo/Apartment complexes have agreed to place Animal Services brochures in their new resident packages
- Participated in Centennial Under the Stars event at Centennial Medical Plaza
- Council Member Gardner participated in ride along with CAS

Economic Health

Goals

- CAS will aggressively pursue cost recovery efforts by increasing license sales and maximizing the collection of animal related fees.
- Explore possibility of regional Animal Care and Control Services

Progress

- Cost recovery up 15% from 2009 16% above budget YTD
- Licensing revenue up 21% YTD
- Animal License Checks up 309% YTD
- 86% Animal Return to Owner (RTO) Rate with 42% RTOd in Field YTD—Saving Cost of Impound
- 59% of CAS initiated licensing contacts resulted in license, resolution or summons

Environment

Goals

- Explore the possibility of securing funding for GIS Mapping, Chameleon software, and Global Positioning Systems to more effectively deploy and utilize staff
- Work towards and secure funding to equip CAS vehicles with Mobile Data Terminals to more closely control the amount of driving required and decrease the quantity of printing

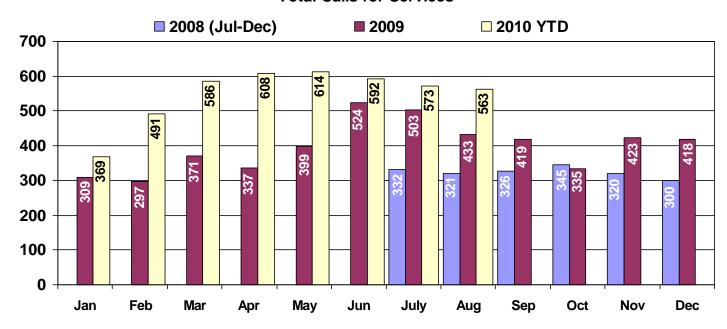
Progress

- Officers partnering in vehicles on shift overlap days
- More efficiently deployed forces—Miles driven decreased by 6% YTD
- Will seek funding for Mobile Data Terminals and Global Positioning Systems during the 2011 budget cycle to further increase efficiency
- Intern interviewed & accepted; intern is providing 12-15 hours a week to CAS

Field Services

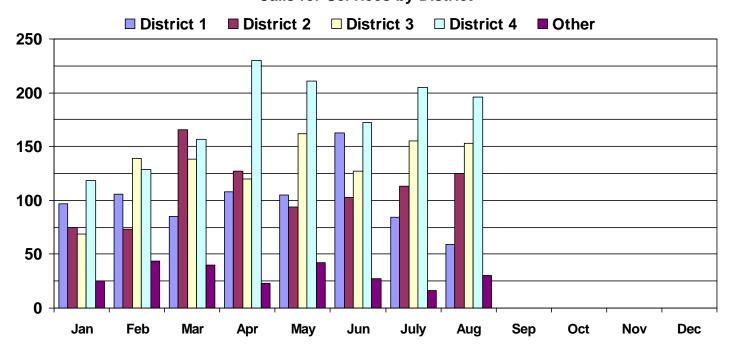
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Total Calls for Services



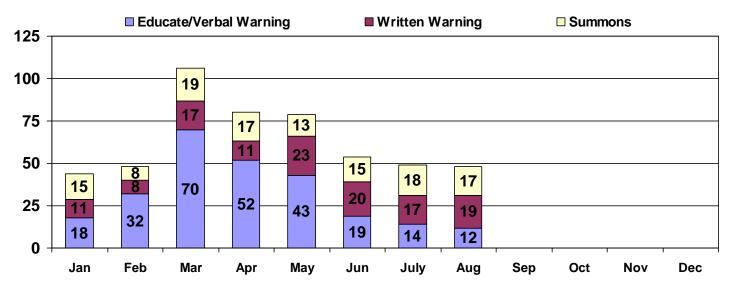
Centennial Animal Services has responded to 4,396 calls for service YTD - 807 in District 1, 876 in District 2, 1063 in District 3, 1418 in District 4, and 247 outside of the City.

Calls for Services by District



Attempts to educate and mediate are most often the first method of resolution. When these techniques fail a written warning or summons and complaint may be issued. These methods help to reduce the number of repeat offenders, animals impounded, and more effectively manage long-term problems. The actions taken to enhance public safety and protect animal welfare have resulted in 260 education/verbal warnings, 126 written warnings, and 122 summons and complaints year to date.

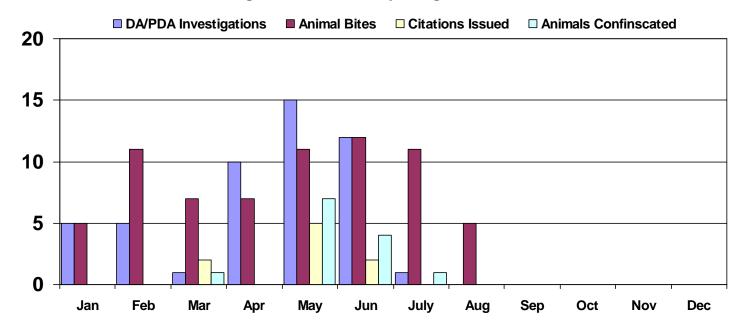




The term Dangerous or Potentially Dangerous Animal (DA/PDA) refers to any response that results from a report of a domestic animal displaying threatening behaviors (growling, hackles raised, baring teeth, chasing, charging), making aggressive physical contact with a person or domestic animal, or causing bodily or serious bodily injury. An animal bite occurs when a bite from a domestic or wild animal causes a break in the skin of a human. Every DA/PDA and animal bite is promptly investigated and appropriate action is taken.

The numbers of DA/PDA Reports, Animal Bites, Citations Issued for DA/PDA, and Animals Confiscated as a result of citations issued are reported below. Year to date CAS has conducted 48 DA/PDA Investigations, processed 72 Animal Bites, Issued 9 DA/PDA Summons, and Confiscated 12 Animals.

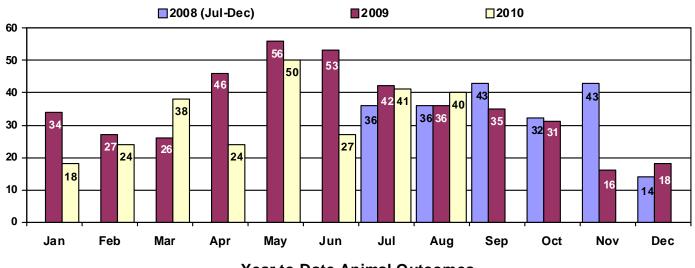
Dangerous & Potentially Dangerous Animals



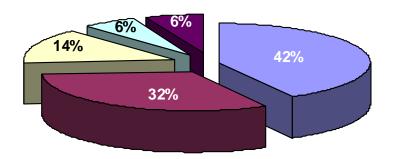
Animals Handled

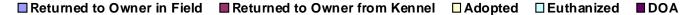
Year to date CAS has handled 254 animals: 201 Dogs, 32 Cats, 22 Others. 86% of these animals have been saved.



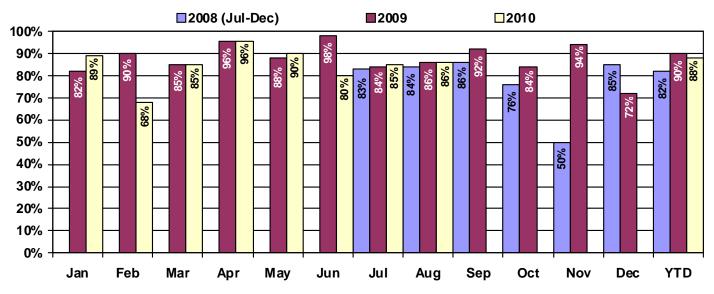


Year to Date Animal Outcomes





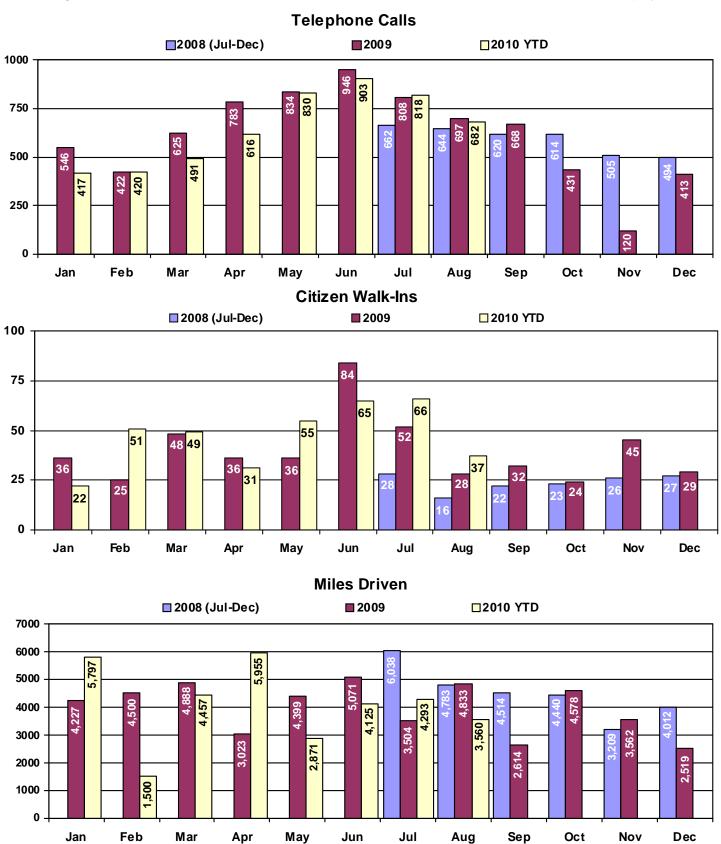
Animal Save Rate



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General Information

A total of 5,177 telephone calls have been received, 376 citizens have visited the Centennial Municipal Building to conduct business, and CAS has driven a total of 32,558 miles without accident or injury.



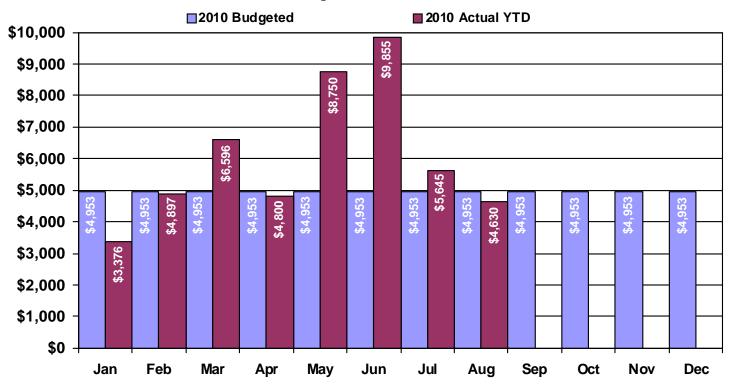
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Revenue

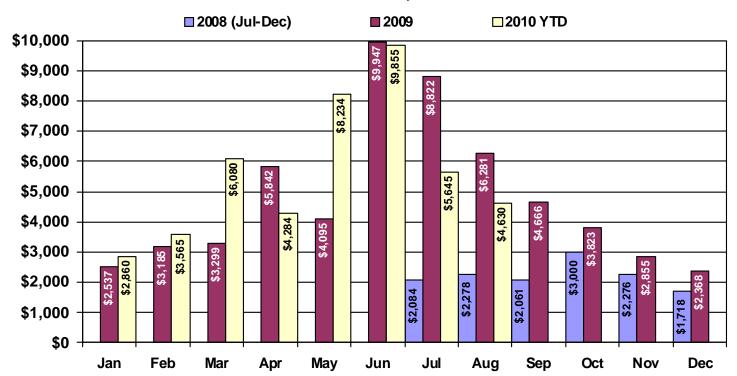
CAS has generated total revenue of \$45,968.50 year to date. This is approximately **16% Above** the \$39,624 (\$4,953 monthly) yearly budget allocation for revenues.

- Animal Licensing-\$31,590 YTD approximately 11% Above the \$28,520 (\$3,565 monthly) budgeted YTD
- Animal Fee-\$14,378.5 YTD approximately 30% Above the \$11,104 (\$1,388 monthly) budgeted YTD

Total Revenue Budgeted vs. Actual

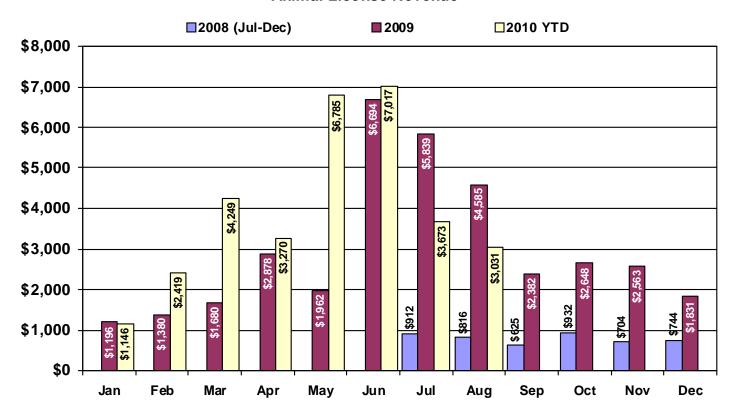


Total Revenue by Year

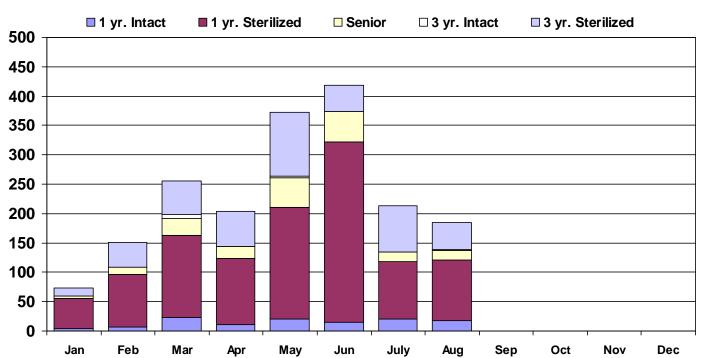


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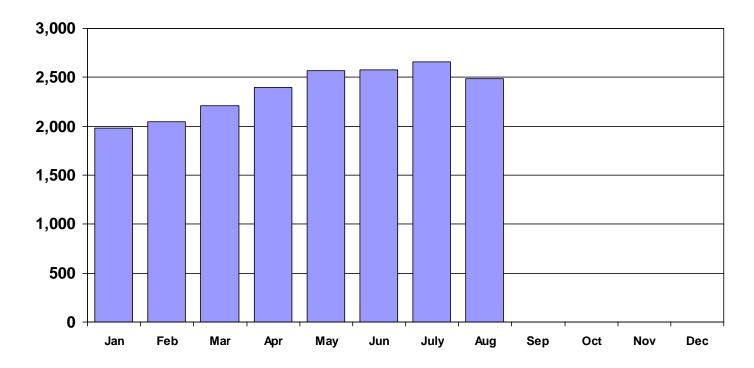
Animal License Revenue



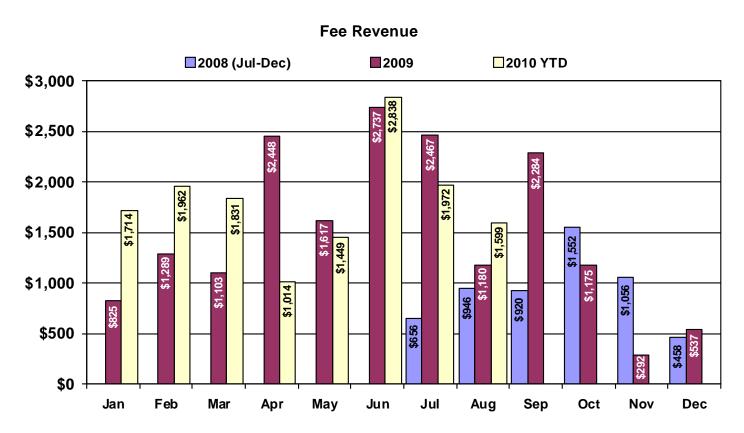
Animal Licenses Issued



2010 Total Number of Licensed Animals



The total number of licensed animals fluctuates month-to-month based upon new and expired licenses. As of the end of August, the total number of licensed animals in the City is 2,490 or 10.38% of the estimated canine population of 24,000.



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